B-3215 - B-3218 917-935 S. Charles St. (East side) Baltimore, Md. Private access 1845-1850

This row of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses with gable roofs is typical of the type of two story plus attic house built in large numbers in this area of Federal Hill in the 1840's. The houses, which now generally serve a mixed commercial/residential function, were built by George Williamson and John S. Gittings, both active real estate developers in the area. Most of the houses have recently had their facades altered to accomodate new storefront designs.

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#### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of two story plus attic brick houses with gable roofs were built more or less contemporaneously with the adjoining row of similar houses to the north. Both houses have new brick facades.

The houses are two and a half stories in height, 12 1/2' wide, and occupy lots 67' deep. 931 S. Charles St. has no rear additions; 933 S. Charles has a two story, five bay deep rear addition that extends to the end of the lot. The facade is currently constructed in running bond, but it is new brickwork and the facade may originally have been in common bond as is the case with the adjoining houses. The low-pitched gable roof has a continuous, two-tier brick cornice. Each house has a double rectangular chimney located along the outside edge of the house, on both the front and rear roof gables.

The door and window openings have new vertical stretcher lintels and brick header sills. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. Each house has a late Victorian glass and panel door set beneath a single light transom. The houses sit on high basements, the entrances being reached by four wooden steps each. 931 S. Charles has a square-shaped coal opening located to the left of the steps and 933 S. Charles has a door set below sidewalk level leading to the basement, located to the right of the steps.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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_1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	_SCULPTURE
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_1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	_THEATER
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_1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)
		INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1845-1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

John S. Gittings

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 921-929 S. Charles St.

These houses were built by John S. Gittings, a large-scale real-estate developer who also built the nearby rows on the north side of the unit block of Hamburg St. and on the south side of the unit block (3-25) Wheeling St. The houses have recently been renovated, but have lost much of their original character because of the new brickwork on the facade.

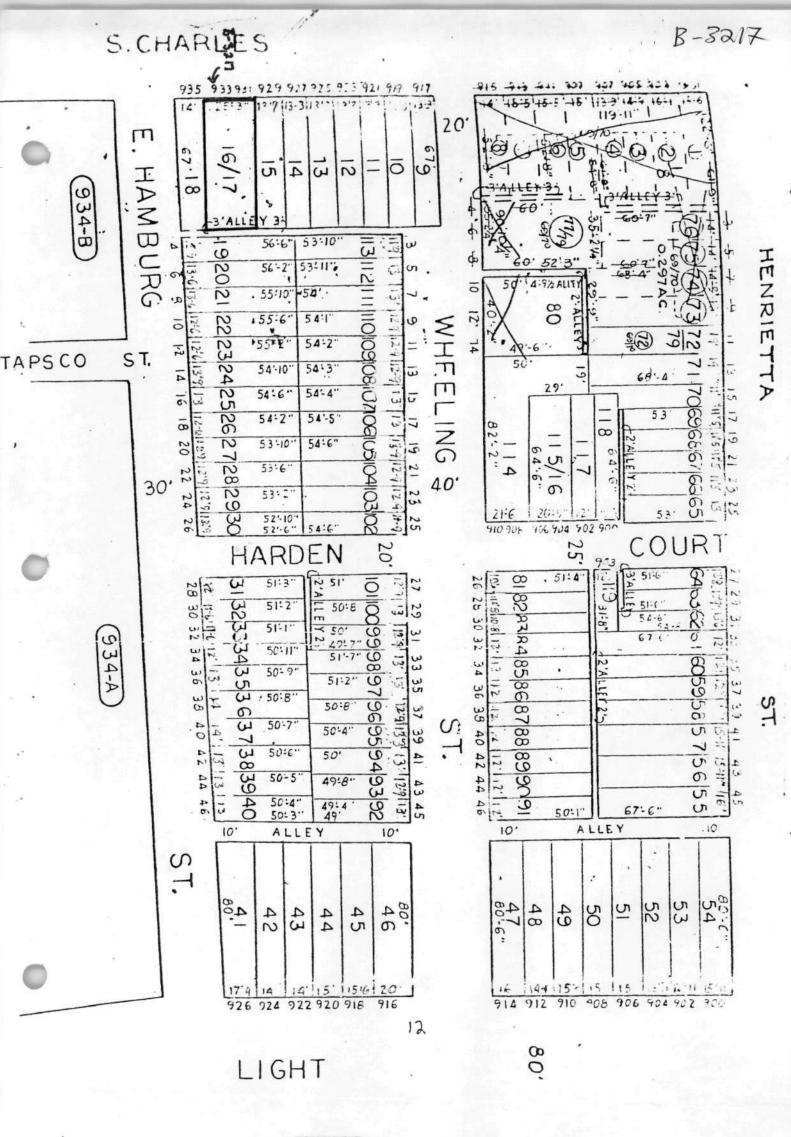
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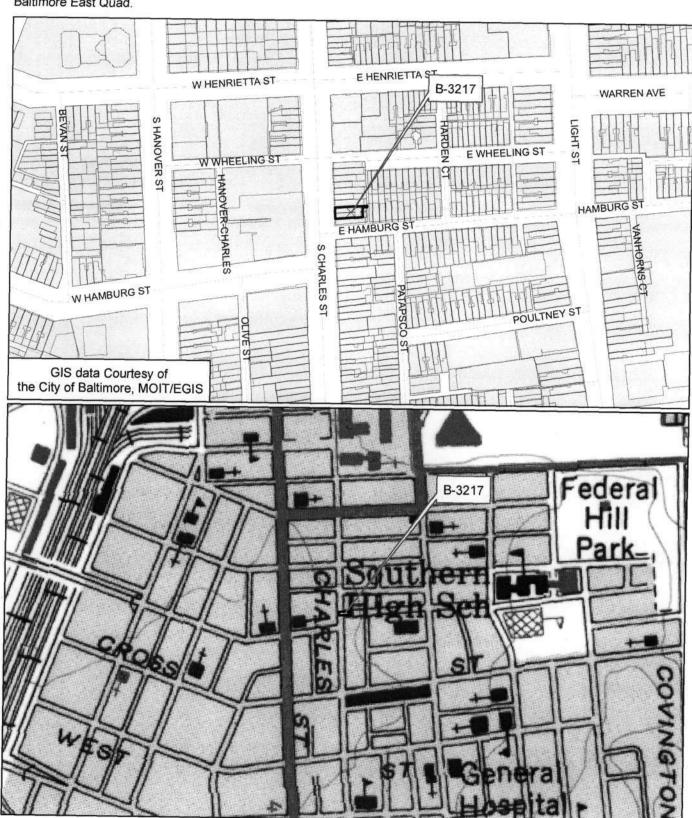
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